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, FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MAILGRAM BEING SENT VIETNAMESE
REFUGEES LIVING IN U.S. SOCIETY OUTSIDE RECEPTION CENTERS
WHO HAVE SENT UNHCR QUESTIONNAIRE REQUESTING REPATRIATION.
REQUEST USUN PASS TO MR. DAYAL AT UNHCR LIAISON OFFICE,
NEW YORK, AS HE REQUESTED.

BEGIN TEXT:

1. IT HAS COME TO OUR ATTENTION THAT YOU HAVE FILED AN
APPLICATION FOR REPATRIATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH
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COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR). BECAUSE OF YOUR

PREVIOUSLY STATED INTEREST IN RETURNING TO VIETNAM, WE WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH YOU THE POSSIBILITY OF YOUR JOINING THE GROUP OF REPATRIATES ON GUAM WHO HAVE ELECTED TO RETURN ON A VIETNAMESE SHIP WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS. THE ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE FOR YOU TO REMAIN IN THE U.S. WHILE THE UNHCR CONTINUES HIS EFFORTS TO OBTAIN THE APPROVAL OF THE VIETNAMESE AUTHORITIES FOR YOUR RETURN. YOU SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TAKES A

NEUTRAL POSITION ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN TO SOUTH VIETNAM ON THE SHIP SAILING FROM GUAM. THE DECISION IS YOURS ALONE TO MAKE.

2. THE SHIP IS BEING RENOVATED AND PROVISIONED NOW AND WILL BE RETURNING TO VIETNAM AT THE SPECIFIC REQUEST OF THE VIETNAMESE REPATRIATES IN GUAM. THEY HAVE STATED THAT THEY ARE LEAVING OF THEIR OWN FREE WILL AND THAT THEY WILL NOT HOLD THE U.S. GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF THE TRIP. IN A RECENT RADIO BROADCAST BY HANOI, THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIETNAM REQUESTED THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TO ABANDON THE IDEA OF PERMITTING THESE REFUGEES TO RETURN HOME BY SHIP. IN THEIR VIEW, "AUTHORIZING VIETNAMESE ABROAD TO RETURN TO OUR COUNTRY IS A MATTER THAT FALLS WITHIN VIETNAM'S SOVEREIGNTY". THE REPATRIATES ON GUAM, HOWEVER, BELIEVE THEY AND THE SHIP WILL BE PERMITTED TO REENTER VIETNAM BY THE VIETNAMESE AUTHORITIES.

3. THE UNHCR WILL CONTINUE HIS EFFORTS TO SECURE PERMISSION FROM THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT FOR THE EARLY RETURN OF THOSE WHO DO NOT CHOOSE TO GO BACK WITH THE SHIP. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT IF AND WHEN THIS PERMISSION WILL BE RECEIVED.

4. IF YOU ELECT TO RETURN ON THE SHIP, THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WILL PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO GUAM. PLEASE CALL US IMMEDIATELY TO DISCUSS YOUR INTENTIONS. WE HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU REGARDLESS OF YOUR DECISION. OUR TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE (202) 254-5878, 254-5946/254-6185. (CALL BETWEEN 0900 AND 1700 EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME.) WE UNCLASSIFIED

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SUGGEST YOU DISCUSS THIS WITH YOUR SPONSOR WHO IS ALSO INVITED TO CALL, IF HE DESIRES.

INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR INDOCHINESE REFUGEES
WASHINGTON, D.C.

END TEXT. KISSINGER

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